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Dear Sir/Madam:

We filed a Request For Continued Examination ("RCE") on May 19, 2004, including a check in the amount of \$770.00 for the filing fee. Unfortunately, the RCE that was submitted did not include the following: 1) the attorney's signature; 2) a Petition for a Four-Month Extension of Time; and 3) the accompanying extension fee. Enclosed please find: 1) a substitute copy of the RCE submitted on May 19, 2004, which includes the signature of the attorney of record and today's date; 2) a Petition for a Four-Month Extension of Time; and 3) a check in the amount of \$740.00 to cover the extension fee.

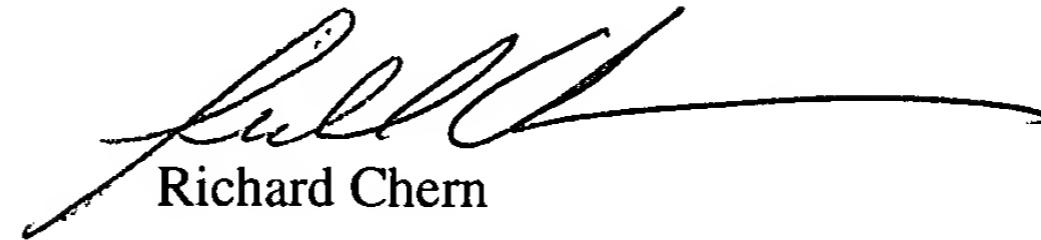
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Sincerely,



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard Chern".

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